

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 1, please replace the title with the following:

**-- OPTICAL ~~SECURITY~~ SAFETY ELEMENT AND SYSTEM FOR VISUALISING
~~ITEMS OF CONCEALED~~ HIDDEN INFORMATION --.**

On page 1, after the title of the invention, insert the following:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a National Phase application of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/006466 filed June 16, 2004, which claims priority based on German Patent Application No. 103 28 759.0, filed June 25, 2003, which are both incorporated herein by reference.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION-- .

On page 2, after line 18, insert the following:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION-- .

On page 8, after line 4, insert the following:

--BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS-- .

On page 9, after line 14, insert the following:

--DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION -- .